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interest in accessories

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that are comfortable to wear. I don't
like accessories. When I make money,
I want to buy a decent watch.

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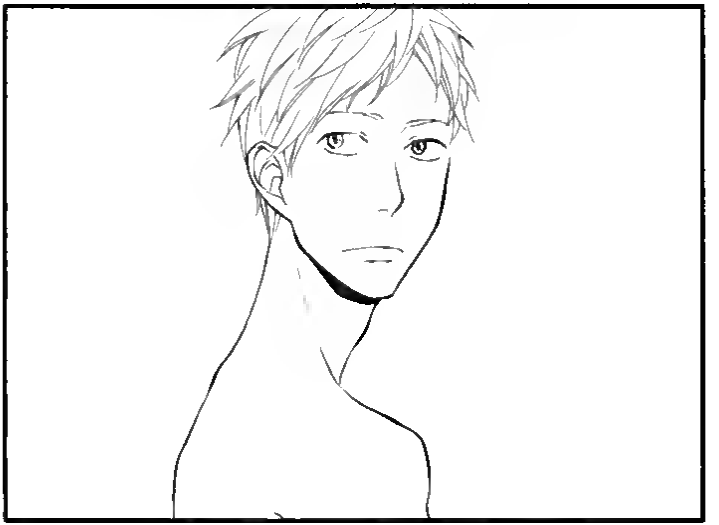
I LIKE YOU



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CHAPTER 1

BYE.
hahaha
HUH? DID SOMEONE JUST PASS BY?
KAKE!
OH!
HUH?
OHH!
THAT HOTTIE!
OH, HIM!

ASANO, DO YOU TALK TO HIM MUCH?
NO, NOT REALLY
HOW 'BOUT YOU, GUYS?
HUH?
NOT MUCH
USUALLY WE JUST GREET EACH OTHER
YEAH
YOU KNOW, HE DOESN'T REALLY TALK MUCH
yaaawn
I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM HAVE A NORMAL CONVERSATION WITH ANYONE
I'VE NEVER EVEN SEEN HIM TALK!
HE'S REALLY HARD TO APPROACH

HE HAS AN AMAZING 'DON'T TALK TO ME' AURA.
OH, I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN.
YEAH, HIS ATMOS-PHERE.
HE COMES RIGHT BEFORE HIS SHIFT AND LEAVES RIGHT AFTER, SO IT'S HARD TO FIND A CHANCE.
YEAH.
THAT'S RIGHT.

Kakei Shinichi.

Would that be all?
He's what you'd call a 'hottie'.
Attending some good university for smart people.
I think he's one or two years younger.
I don't know his major.

<*HIGHBALL IS A COCKTAIL>

I don't know his close friends

To put it simply, he's anti-social

I haven't seen him laugh much

I haven't even talked to him much

In summary, I don't know anything about him

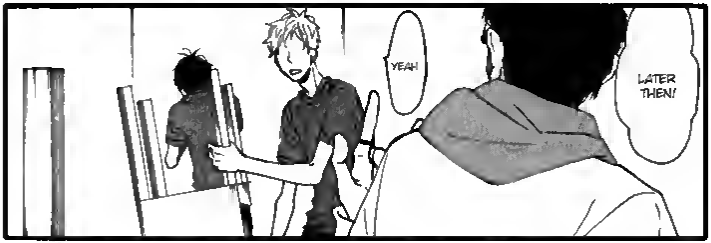
The only thing I really know is how good looking he is

Then— Someone like him

bow
Why...
Me?

LA-TER!
THANKS FOR YOUR HARD WORK!
OH, ASA-NO
clunk
clunk
YEAH?

...!!
HEY, YOU'RE WITH KAKEI BY YOURSELF TODAY!
HAFE FUN!
Doesn't matter
YOU KNOW THAT CD YOU'VE LENT ME? CAN I GIVE IT BACK TOMORROW?
YEAH


YEAH
LATER THEN!

PEEK

THUD

CLUNK

Nothing's happening
Like, really
Nothing's happened after that
Was it just my imagination?
It did sound like a love confession to me
Wait
That was a confession, right?
T. N. Yasuda and Anda can be spelled with the same kanji. Anda sounds like ante which is the you Kakei used to confess
We only exchange greetings
But our relationship is too typical for him to talk about stuff like this
Ha ha ha!
I don't even talk to Yasuda-san, but does he want me to support them or something?
and he confessed his love for him to me by accident?
He thought Yasuda is actually pronounced Anda,
Or what if

Peek
But if you like someone, wouldn't you usually
Like that's possible
clack
Try to appeal to them?
Am I wrong?
I've never made a confession, so I wouldn't know
That's the only thing we've been doing
When we meet, it's 'Hello' When we leave, it's 'Later'
Every time I walk by him, I have to laugh
But really, nothing's happened since then
Anyway, is this guy gay?
What a waste! He's such a hottie!

Or maybe he's just making fun of me
I took it seriously, since he doesn't look like the type to joke around
But maybe he's laughing at my reaction
UM.
Or maybe
UM!

WHOA!
AH!
YEAH, WHAT IS IT?
COULD YOU..
STOP PEEKING AT ME?

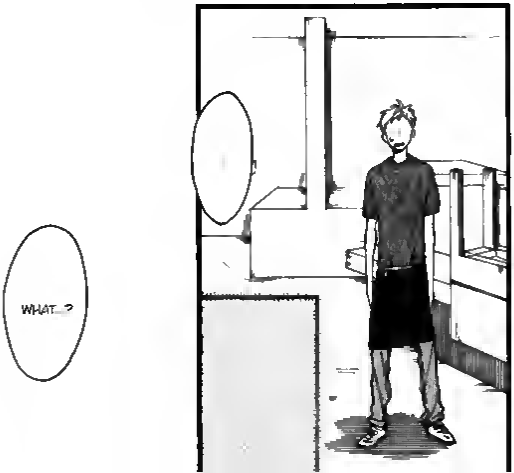
HUH?
IT'S YOU. YOU... SINCE THEN...
clack

AND MAYBE HURRY AND CLEAN UP?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN "WHAT"?
UGH, FORGET IT.
'SINCE THEN"?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN
clunk
OH, THAT REMINDS ME...
UH.
NEVER-MIND
PFFFT!
I'M STILL WAITING FOR YOUR ANSWER
DON'T TELL ME YOU ALREADY FORGOT?
THE THING I SAID THE OTHER DAY
UHH...
UH.
NO, I MEAN.
ABOUT WHAT?

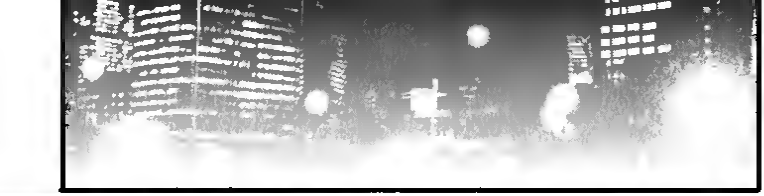
WHA-!
ANYWAY, YOU-
HUH?
YOU GUYS ARE STILL HERE?
GO HOME.
OKAY.
HUH?
WAIT!
sigh
SO CRU-EL!
TO MY FIRST AND LAST CONFESSION IN LIFE...

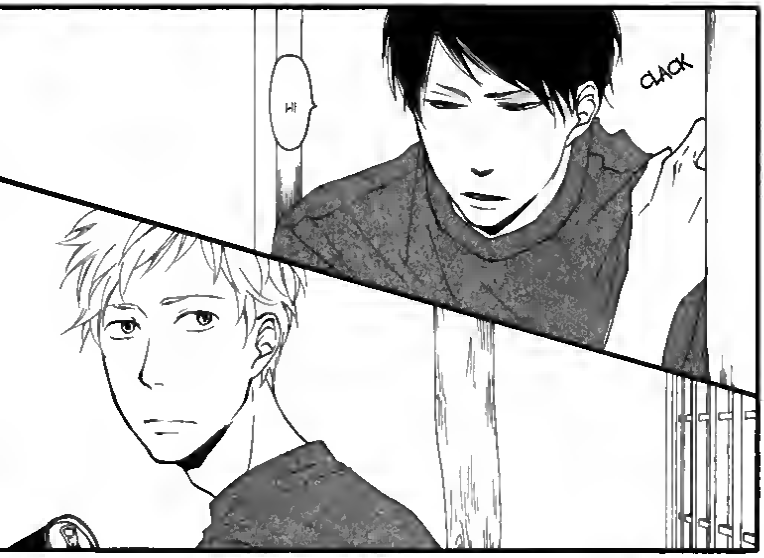
THEN, LATER


WHAT...?

I GOT LOST...
WELCOME BACK! YOU'RE LATE.
I'M HOME
clack
03
no Sasaki
THIS IS YOUR HOUSE...
I MEAN IN LIFE
OR ACTUALLY, MAYBE IT WAS.
NO, WORK WASN'T HARD...
WAS WORK HARD?
BUT IT'S MONDAY...
YEAH IT WAS.
IS THAT SO...

I WON'T TAKE CARE OF YOU IF YOU GET SICK
DON'T WORK TOO HARD
click
click
EAT A LOT
ITADAKI-MASU
tap
Sigh...
WARM UP AND GO TO BED...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I GUESS...

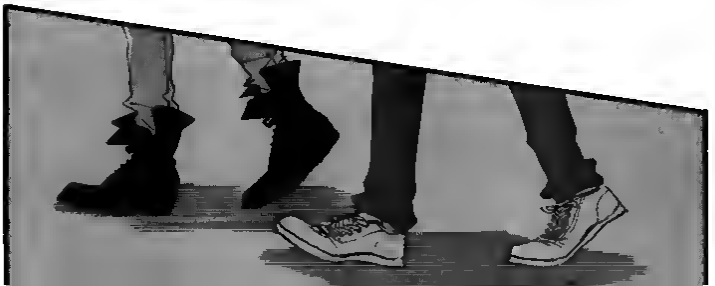



HI
CLACK

GOOD WORK TODAY!
GOOD WORK.
ASANO, ARE YOU STAYING LATE TODAY, TOO?
How rare!
YEAH, I'LL CLEAN UP A BIT MORE.
ALL RIGHT. THEN I'LL SEE YOU LATER.
LATER.

LIKE I SAID
peek
clunk
clunk
clunk
YOU'RE PEE-KING.
WILL YOU STOP IT?!
WHAAAT?
I WASN'T PEEKING!
You're so self-conscious!
That face pisses me off!
YES, YOU WERE!

WANT TO GO BACK TOGETHER?



THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'RE TALKING LIKE THIS, ISN'T IT?
YES?
HEY
YEAH
IT SUDDENLY GOT CHILLY
IT IS

THEN
'Why?'
would be
Kind of inappropriate
WHAT?
NEVERMIND

HUH?
SO THAT'S HOW YOUR VOICE SOUNDS
BECAUSE WE'VE ONLY EXCHANGED GREETINGS SO FAR.
AND YOU ONLY SAY 'YES' OR 'NO'.
I GUESS THAT'S TRUE.
OH.
SAY,
YOU...
YES?
...
IT IS.
BUT YOU KNOW,

WHO'D SAY THIS AS A JOKE?
THAT'S GROSS
SO IT'S NOT A JOKE...
LIKE ME?
YES, I DO
YOU'RE RIGHT

WHAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT ME?
EVEN IF YOU ASK ME THAT...
HOW DID I CATCH YOUR ATTENTION
SINCE WE DON'T EVEN TALK MUCH?
I DON'T KNOW.
HOW CAN YOU NOT KNOW?
I HONESTLY DON'T KNOW.
AND THE FACT THAT YOU'RE ASKING ME SO BLUNTLY IS PISSING ME OFF
OH, IS THAT SO?

TO BE HONEST, EVEN I'M THINKING BACK ON IT
WHEN I REALISED IT I HAD ALREADY STARTED TO TAKE NOTICE OF YOU, AND NOW HERE I AM
Sigh
GROSS
WHAT IS WRONG WITH ME?
SERIOUSLY, YOU ARE SO NOT CUTE!
I'M TOLD THAT A LOT.

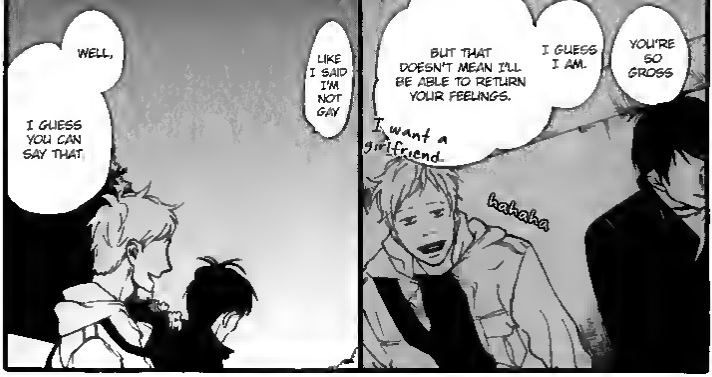
WANT TO TAKE A DETOUR?

OH,

HERE
THE MO-NEY
IT'S FINE
I WAS THE ONE WHO INVITED YOU OUT
clack
BUT, YOU KNOW...
SINCE YOU CAN TALK,
WHY DON'T YOU USUALLY DO SO?

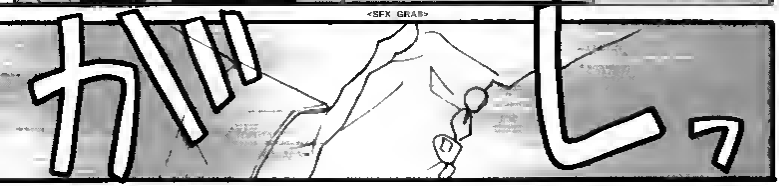
TALKING TO ME IS BORING ANYWAY
YOU CAN TALK ABOUT ANYTHING
REAL-LY?
THERE'S NOTHING TO TALK ABOUT
ANYWAY, ARE YOU THAT?
HAVE YOU ALWAYS BEEN INTO GUYS?
NO I HAVEN'T
SO IT'S JUST ME?
ONLY ME?
YOU'RE SO ANNOYING! HOW SHOULD I KNOW?!
OF COURSE YOU'D KNOW! IT'S ABOUT YOU!
IS THAT SOMETHING TO SAY TO THE PERSON YOU LIKE?
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE WEIRD
SURPRIS-INGLY, I'M HAVING FUN RIGHT NOW
IS IT?

SHUT UP
I TOLD YOU, I DON'T KNOW!
OR WERE YOU LIKE, SUBCONSCIOUSLY INTO GUYS UP TILL NOW?
Haha
I GUESS YOU WOULD NOT
WELL, I GUESS I'M IN NO PLACE TO TALK
BUT YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY
LOVE HAS NO RHYME NOR REASON
I GUESS YOU'RE IN THAT POSITION


WELL,
I GUESS YOU CAN SAY THAT
LIKE I SAID I'M NOT GAY
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I'LL BE ABLE TO RETURN YOUR FEELINGS.
I GUESS I AM.
YOU'RE SO GROSS
I want a girlfriend.
hahaha

WHY AREN'T YOU GROSSED OUT?
HUH?
WHAT DID YOU SAY?

NOTHING.
THEN I'LL BE LEAVING.
WHY SO SUDDEN -LY?
...
HUH?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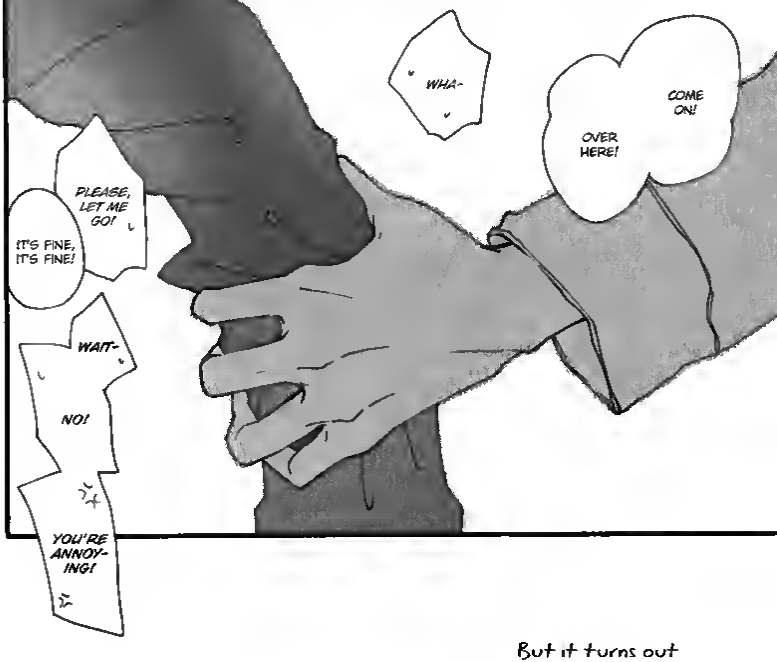
No!
DID I SAY OR DO SOMETHING?!
MY FAULT?!
WAS IT ME?!
HUH?!
YOU DIDN'T! DON'T BE SO CONCEITED!

HUH?
WHY IS YOUR FACE SO RED?
WHA-?
PLEASE LET ME GO!
DON'T SAY IT!

DON'T YOU LIKE COFFEE?
HUH?!
YOU'RE NOT DRINKING THAT.
The coffee.
MY BAD, I SHOULD'VE ASKED YOU BEFORE I BOUGHT IT.
blush
UH...
...
HUH?
IT'S NOT-
HUH?
WHAT?
WHAT'S WRONG?
IT'S NO-THING.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN 'NOTHING'?
DID-
DID I SAY SOME-THING WEIRD?
IT'S NOT..
...
...
I DON'T WANT TO WASTE IT...
T...

I think he's
one or two years
younger than me

I don't know
his favourite sport,
his favourite food,
or where he lives...



But it turns out that he talks enough for his age,

and that he's also unexpectedly cute when teased.

Recommendations

Look at Me - Andrés Kai

Manga: Blue Sky Complex

Anime: Kiseijuu: Sei no Kakuritsu

Kamisama Kiss

Movies: The Princess Bride

Toki wo Kakeru Shoujo

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